

1 ENGROSSED SENATE  
2 BILL NO. 492

By: Woods, Stephens, and Paxton  
of the Senate

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4 Hardin of the House

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7 [ Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and  
8 Forestry - Wildfire Reimbursement Revolving Fund -  
appropriation - codification - noncodification -  
effective date -

9 emergency ]

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12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

13 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
14 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 16-14 of Title 2, unless there  
15 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

16 There is hereby created in the State Treasury a revolving fund  
17 for the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry to be  
18 designated the "Wildfire Reimbursement Revolving Fund". The fund  
19 shall be a continuing fund, not subject to fiscal year limitations,  
20 and shall consist of all monies designated to the fund by law. All  
21 monies accruing to the credit of the fund are hereby appropriated  
22 and may be budgeted and expended by the Oklahoma Department of  
23 Agriculture, Food, and Forestry for the purpose of reimbursement of  
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1 expenditures of Oklahoma fire departments who participated in  
2 extinguishment efforts of fires that:

3 1. Were not fully extinguished in the twenty-four (24) hours  
4 after their reporting; and

5 2. Involved more than one fire department jurisdiction.

6 Expenditures from the fund shall be made upon warrants issued by the  
7 State Treasurer against claims filed as prescribed by law with the  
8 Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise Services for  
9 approval and payment.

10 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be  
11 codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

12 There is hereby appropriated to the Wildfire Reimbursement  
13 Revolving Fund created in Section 1 of this act from any monies not  
14 otherwise appropriated from the General Revenue Fund of the State  
15 Treasury for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the sum of Five  
16 Million Dollars (\$5,000,000.00) or so much thereof as may be  
17 necessary to perform the duties imposed upon the Oklahoma Department  
18 of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry by law.

19 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective July 1, 2023.

20 SECTION 4. It being immediately necessary for the preservation  
21 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby  
22 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and  
23 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

1 Passed the Senate the 20th day of March, 2023.

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4 Presiding Officer of the Senate

5 Passed the House of Representatives the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
6 2023.

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10 of Representatives